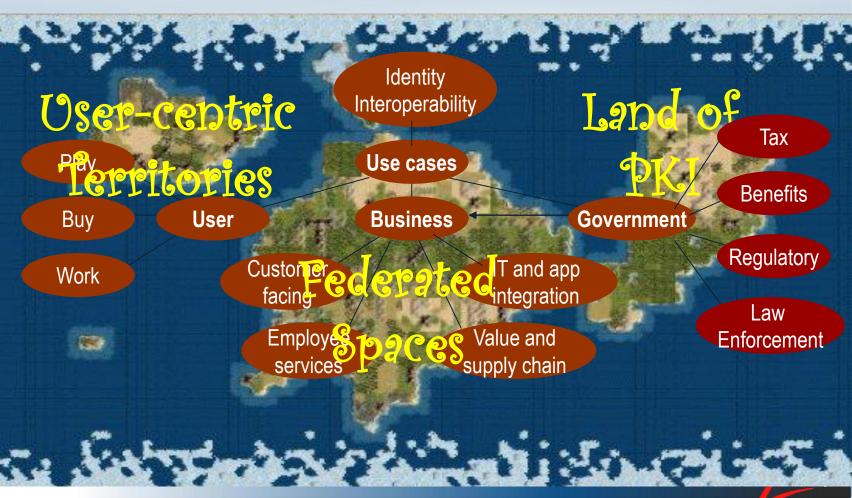


Use Cases – Seem like Islands?



State of the Market

- Federated identity adoption is expanding
 - Enterprises with many federation partners, trying to scale
 - Multi million user deployments underway
 - Community federations: higher education, telecommunications, automotive, government, pharmaceutical, financial services, petroleum...
- Many commercial products support SAML 2.0
 - Vendors have moved quickly to support converged standard;
 still some growing pains
 - Enterprises implementing multiprotocol scenarios
- Yet divergence continues between federated and user-centric spaces, and between some of the vendors



State of the Market

- Adoption of federated identity in business growing, but not universal
 - Deployment barriers
 - Standards and tools that work for 10s or 100s of partners still to hard to scale when deploying 1000s of partners
 - Partners not ready, or unwilling
 - Difficult for small business to deploy
 - Application service providers don't focus on identity
 - Relative high cost for some implementers
 - Concerns about risk, liability, and audit
 - Difficult to build business agreements

Trust is the elephant in the road



Federations in R&E: Current Soup and Future Bread

Topics

- The Research and Education Sector
- Shibboleth
- InCommon and international R&E federations
- Next Steps
 - Inter-federation soup
 - Collaboration management platforms and the attribute ecosystem



The Research and Education Sector

- Intense need to collaborate
 - For both research and education
 - Inter-institutional and international
- Historic roles
 - Innovator in networking
 - Technology transfer
 - Shaping a new generation of consumers



R&E Engagements

- TCP/IP, first as a technology and then as a market-maker
- SAML/Shibboleth, first as a technology and then as a market-maker
- Collaboration tools and collaboration management platforms

Shibboleth

- Deployments > 10,000; countries > 20
- Shib 2.0 release ~ Mar 4, 2008
- Landmark release; strong platform for years to come, on which considerable enhancements will be broadly provided
- "More interoperable with commercial SAML systems than they are with each other"
- OpenSAML 2.0 already heavily used by Verisign, Tata, etc.
- It is suggested that federations migrate to 2.0 sooner than later.



Shib and OpenId

- Shib 2.0+ containing an OpenId provider under discussion
- Shib 2.0++ may contain more clever and useful integration of federated and ad hoc identity management
- The OpenId platform within Shib will have a warning reminding applications to use caution in their consumption of external identities.
- UK leading development, with broad conversation, but OpenId is generally a US concern.



Missing pieces

- End-user attribute release management
 - InfoCard?
 - Attribute release editors within Shib
- Dynamic metadata (not dynamic trust)
- N-tier tokens

InCommon



- Approximately 80 members and growing steadily
- •More than two million "users"
- New types of members
 - {St. Mary's of the Plains}
 - National Institute of Health
 - Student service providers
 - Energy Labs
 - MS, Apple
- On third generation of Steering Committee
- •Has less value right now than it will...



The DreamSpark Nightmare

- Microsoft delivery of developer kits, source code, etc to students
- Shows how far down you can bury federation in the user experience (and way under a Liveld and custom WAYF)
- A learning experience for us all
- Showed the value in implementing the full features of Shib (such as the ePTId generator)
- http://www.pcworld.com/article/id,142597c,software/article.html
- https://downloads.channel8.msdn.com/
- Asserting "studentness" is highly useful



InCommon Next Steps

- New members
 - MS, Apple, Michigan, University of Mary Washington, William and Mary, Lafayette, Emory, Richmond
 - Pending MIT, Google, student service companies, medical consortia,
 1200 institutions from the National Student Clearinghouse
- InCommon Silver
 - LOA-2
 - Not hard but lots of thought upfront profiles, audit guides, etc.
 - Rich new set of applications from NIH
 - Intended to be ultimately revenue neutral
 - Remarkable barn-raising experience so far...

Federations

- Almost everywhere now
 - Internationally UK (2-3 new members a day), Spain, France, Sweden, Finland, Switzerland, Netherlands, Germany, Denmark, Norway, Australia, Brazil, Japan, Canada, etc.
 - State university systems
 - Community college libraries
 - Medical associations
 - DoJ and DoD
- All do SAML; most are Shib
- Limited interfederation interactions Kalmar Federation, UK-Australia, MS, Elsevier



International federation highlights

- Several countries at 100% coverage, including Norway, Switzerland, Finland
- Community served varies somewhat by country, but all are multi-application and include HE
- UK intends a single federation for HE and Further Education ~ tens of millions of users
- Real use cases involving international team science now driving interfederation peering urgency



International Activities

- http://www.terena.org/activities/refeds/
 - A summary of discussions among R&E networks, including a survey of national efforts
- http://www.jisclegal.ac.uk/access/
 - Excellent policy analytics, especially around international issues of privacy, peering, and attributes
- http://ec.europa.eu/idabc/
 - TransEuropean activities in IdM for use among citizens, governments, and businesses



IDABC

- IDABC stands for Interoperable Delivery of European eGovernment Services to public Administrations, Businesses and Citizens.
- http://ec.europa.eu/idabc/en/document/6484/5644
- eID Interoperability for PEGS -Report on interoperable eIDM technical solutions, December 2007
 (http://ec.europa.eu/idabc/servlets/Doc?id=29619). Offers technical assessment of several technologies
- · Final recommendations due soon.
- Federated approaches are likely; open source standards may be identified



Interfederation

- We used to know more...
 - We thought there was primarily peering and we could do that
 - Things changed...
- A rich mix of emerging relationships –
 nested, leveraged, peered, orthogonal, etc.

Peering

- Efforts between InCommon and EAuth collapsed a while ago
 - We got close, but EAuth priorities changed
- International Peering
 - UK Feasibility analysis
 - Attribute Alignment
 - Privacy due out in May
 - Peering drafts to follow

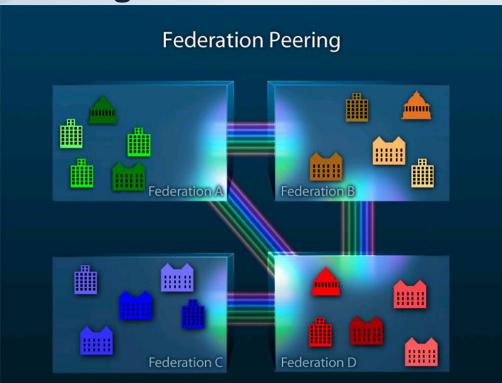


Some of the bases to touch in peering

- Typical issues -
 - Problem resolution and adjudication, liability and indemnification, financial considerations, impact on member agreements, etc.
- New issues -
 - Metadata exchange
 - Attribute mapping
 - Transitive trust



Peering Parameters



Parameters:

- •LOA
- Attribute mapping
- •Legal structures
- Liability
- Adjudication
- •Metadata
 - VO Support
- Economics
- Privacy



Federation Soup

- Workshop to held early June, with NSF support requested
- Bringing together all manners of federation to figure out federation relationships
 - InCommon, JISC, state federations, library federations, university system federations, grid federations, etc.
 - Topics include alignment of policies, technologies, attributes, metadata, etc.
- Approaches include peering, nested, leveraged, and a whole lot of ad hoc
- Outputs may include best practices, multi-homing, etc.



Emerging key themes

- Privacy and consent
- Privacy and the aggregation of attributes
 - The glory of ePTID
- Support of collaboration and virtual organizations
- Complexity
 - Lack of federal law coupled with state laws



Future issues

- Filling in some of the missing policy pieces
- Dynamic metadata, maybe dynamic trust
- End-user experience wayf and privacy manager
- Attribute mapping
- Federations as trusted metadata sources
- Inter-federation
- Collaboration management platforms and the attribute ecosystem



IDTrust Observations

- When you get the right topic, the crowd more than doubles (OASIS helps too)
- Most federation work, regardless of sector, faces similar issues
 - What to do about everyone else
 - Attributes
- There's a reasonably good handle on authentication
 - OpenId was there, real but rational
- Next year's theme "It's the Attributes, stupid"



More IDTrust

- http://middleware.internet2.edu/idtrust/2008 /program.html
- http://www.oasis-idtrust.org/node/55
- Open reputation systems, discovery protocols for OpenId
- Research community springing up
- Importance of Card Space type services



A few interesting talks

- A Client-Side CardSpace-Liberty Integration Architecture University of London
- Identity Interoperability, Standards, and the State of Adoption, Dan Blum, Sr. VP and Principal Analyst, Burton Group
- Panel: Open Reputation Management Systems
 - Panel Moderator: Abbie Babir, Nortel
 - Drummond Reed, Cordance Corporation
 - Tony Nadalin, IBM
 - Chris Hagenbuch, SafeTSpace
 - Rakesh Radhakrishnan, Sun Microsystems

